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Excerpt from the Asahi Shimbun, July 27, 1937.

Full text of the notification to the 29th Army. (July 26, 1937)

It is a matter of great regret that a clash between Japanese and Chinese forces took place on the 25th at Langfang touched off by unlawful shootings by your forces at a part on our forces sent for the purpose of covering communications. It is the result of insincerity on your part in the execution of the agreement with our forces as well as your unmitigated challenging attitude. If your side still has the intension not to aggrandize the Incident, the 37th Division which is stationing in the vicinity of Marco Polo Bridge and Pa-pao-shan should be quickly withdrawn to Changsintien by noon to-morrow, viz; the 27th, the 37th Division inside the wall of Peiping should be withdrawn and, along with the unit of the 37th Division at Hsi-yuan, be transferred to the area west of the Yung Ting Ho through the area north of the Peiping Hankow Railway. The transportation of all these forces to Pac-ting area should be commenced without any lapse of time. In case your army fail to execute the above, our army will regard it as lack of sincerity on your part and will be obliged to take the regretable course of resorting to independent actions. All responsibility resulting from the above shall rest with your army.

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CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICITY

I, who occupy the post of Chief Investigator in the Asahi press, hereby certify that the document hereto attached, written in Japanese, consisting of 2 pages and entitled "Full text of the notification to the 29th Army " is a copy of a report on our newspaper issued on July 27th, 1937.

certified at Tokyo,
on this 1st day of March, 1947

NISHIJIMA, Yoshiji (seal)

I hereby certify that the above signature and seal were affixed hereto in the presence of the witness.

at the same place
on the same date

witness: Sakamoto, Izumi (seal)

朝日新聞昭和十二年七月二十七日記者按察

第二十九卷への通告全文（一九三七年七月二十六日）

昨二十五日郎坊に於て、通信交通掩護の爲め派遣せる一部我軍に對する
貴軍の不法射撃に基因し、遂に兩軍の衝突を見るに至りしは遺憾に堪へ
ず。斯くの如き事件を惹起するに至れるは、貴軍が我軍との間に協定せ
る。貴軍の實行に對する誠意を缺き、依然抗戰的態度を緩和せざるに基因す。
貴軍に於て依然事態不擴大の意思を有するに於ては先づ速かに蘄橋及
び八寶山附近に閉居せる第二十七師を、明二十七日正午迄に長辛店に後
退せしめ、なほ北平城内にある第二十七師は北平城内より撤退、西苑に
ある第三十七師部隊と共に先づ平漢線以北の地區を經て、本月廿八日正
午までに永定河以西の地區に移し、爾後引續き是等軍隊の供定方面への
輸送を開始せらるべし。

右實行を見ざるに於ては、貴軍に誠意なきものと認め、遺憾ながら我軍
は獨自の行動をさるの已むなきに至るべし。

この場合起るべき一切の責任は當然貴軍に於て負はるべきものなり。

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